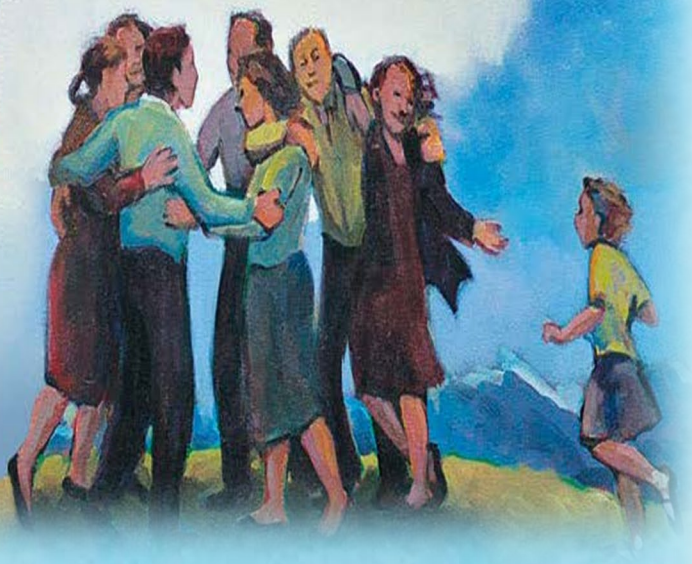
LOVE ONE ANOTHER

JOHN 13:34



Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Ypsilanti, MI
May 18, 2025 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Worship Key
P: Pastor
A: Assisting Ministers
C: Congregation

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.
C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

P: In the name of ☩ the One who was, who is, and who is to come.
C: Amen.

P: Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

P: Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One,
C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,
C: make us one as you are one.

P: We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power. Baptized into you, O Living One,
C: make us one as you are one.

P: Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

C: Amen.

GATHERING HYMN — ELW 462

"Now We Join in Celebration"

1 Now we join in cel - e - bra - tion at our Sav - ior's in - vi - ta - tion,
dressed no more in spir - it som - ber, clothed in - stead in joy and won - der;
for the Lord of all ex - is - tence, put - ting off di - vine tran - scen - dence,
stoops a - gain in love to meet us, with his ver - y life to feed us.
2 Lord, as round this feast we gath - er, fill our hearts with ho - ly rap - ture!
For this bread and cup of bless - ing are for us the sure pos - sess - ing
of your lov - ing deed on Cal - v'ry, of your liv - ing self, our vic - t'ry,
pledge of your un - fail - ing pres - ence, fore - taste here of heav'n - ly glad - ness.
3 Lord, we share in this com - mu - nion as one fam - 'ly of God's chil - dren,
rec - on - ciled through you, our broth - er, one in you with God our Fa - ther.
Give us grace to live for oth - ers, serv - ing all, both friends and strang - ers,
seek - ing jus - tice, love, and mer - cy till you come in fi - nal glo - ry.

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Music: SCHMÜCKE DICH, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662
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GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

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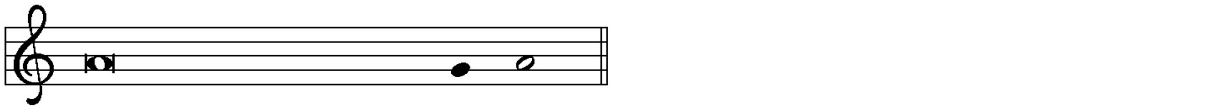
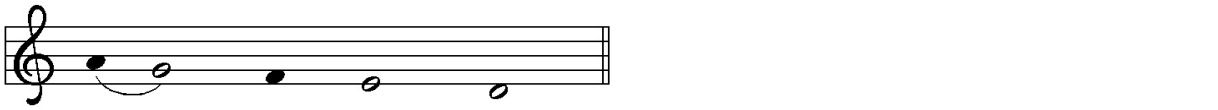
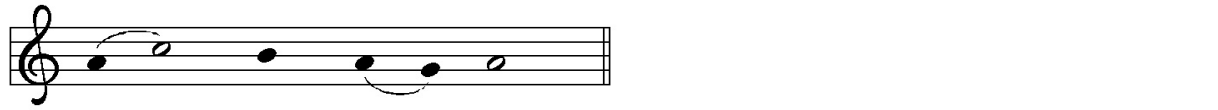
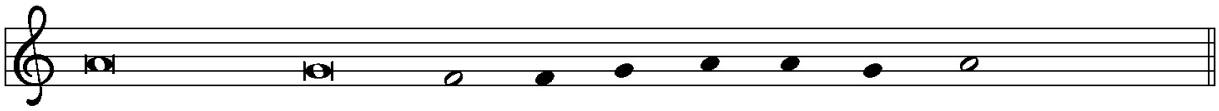

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

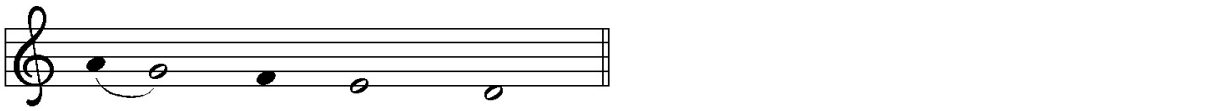

Lord, have mer - cy.

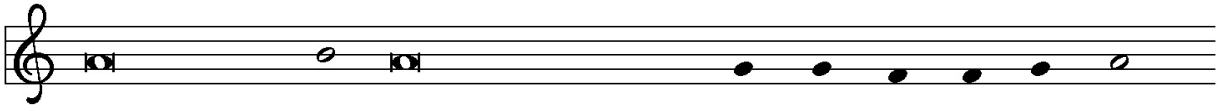
For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.


Lord, have mer - cy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,


and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.


Lord, have mer - cy.

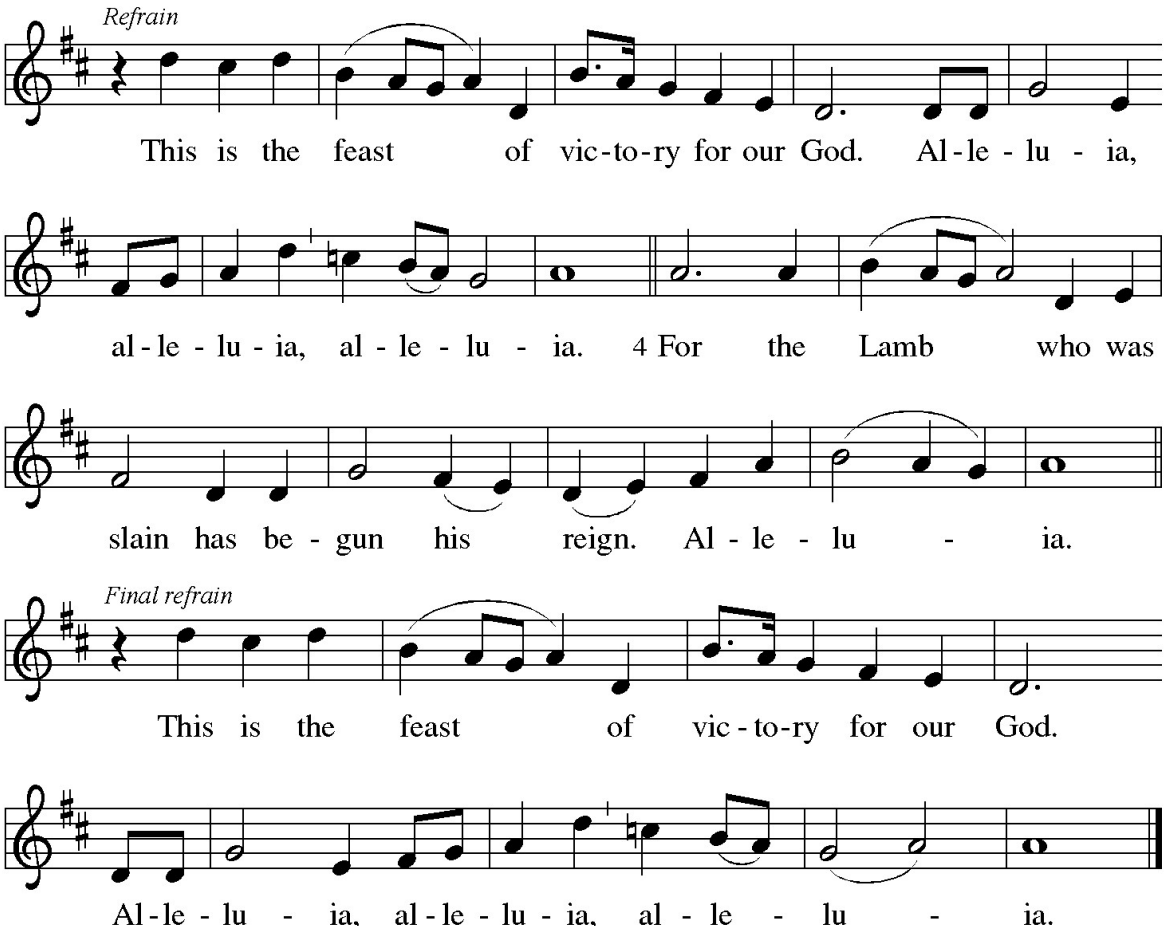

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,

let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.

Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb
who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.
Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 2 Pow-er, rich-es, wis-dom, and
strength, and hon-or, bless-ing, and glo-ry are his.
Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 3 Sing with all the peo-ple of
God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,


Refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,
al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. 4 For the Lamb who was
slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.
Final refrain
This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

C: O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18

In defense of his earlier baptism of non-Jewish believers, Peter demonstrates to the members of the Jerusalem church that God's intention to love Gentiles as well as Jews is revealed in Jesus' testimony. In this way the mission to the Gentiles is officially authorized.

A: A reading from Acts.

1 Now the apostles and the brothers and sisters who were in Judea heard that the
gentiles had also accepted the word of God. 2 So when Peter went up to Jerusalem,
the circumcised believers criticized him, 3 saying, "Why did you go to
uncircumcised men and eat with them?" 4 Then Peter began to explain it to them,
step by step, saying, 5 "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a
vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being
lowered by its four corners, and it came close to me. 6 As I looked at it closely I saw
four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. 7 I also heard a
voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' 8 But I replied, 'By no means, Lord,
for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' 9 But a second time
the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call
profane.' 10 This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to
heaven. 11 At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the
house where we were. 12 The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a
distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we
entered the man's house. 13 He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his
house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; 14 he will
give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' 15 And
as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the
beginning. 16 And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John
baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' 17 If then God
gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ,
who was I that I could hinder God?" 18 When they heard this, they were silenced.
And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the gentiles the
repentance that leads to life."

A: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 148

The splendor of the LORD is over earth and heaven. (Ps. 148:13)

P: [1] Hallelujah! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise God in the heights.
C: [2] Praise the LORD, all you angels; sing praise, all you hosts of heaven.
P: [3] Praise the LORD, sun and moon; sing praise, all you shining stars.
C: [4] Praise the LORD, heaven of heavens, and you waters above the heavens.
P: [5] Let them praise the name of the LORD,
who commanded, and they were created,
C: [6] who made them stand fast forever and ever,
giving them a law that shall not pass away.
P: [7] Praise the LORD from the earth, you sea monsters and all deeps;
C: [8] fire and hail, snow and fog, tempestuous wind, doing God's will;
P: [9] mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars;
C: [10] wild beasts and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds;
P: [11] sovereigns of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the world;
C: [12] young men and maidens, old and young together.
P: [13] Let them praise the name of the LORD,
whose name only is exalted, whose splendor is over earth and heaven.
C: [14] The LORD has raised up strength for the people
and praise for all faithful servants, the children of Israel,
a people who are near the LORD. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6

John's vision shows us that in the resurrection the new age has dawned; God dwells with us already. Yet we wait for the time when the tears that cloud our vision will be wiped away. Then we will see the new heaven, new earth, and new Jerusalem.

A: A reading from Revelation.

[1] I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. [2] And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. [3] And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them and be their God;

[4] he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away."

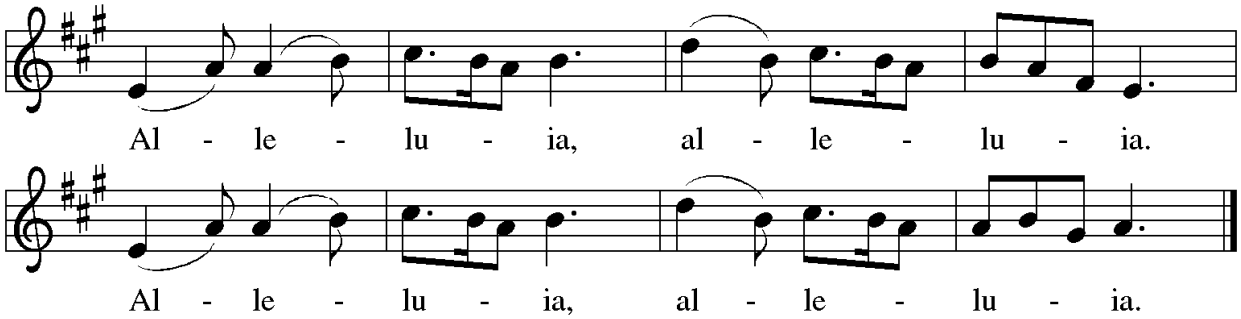
[5] And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things

new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." [6] Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

A: Word of God. Word of Life.
C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.



GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

After washing the disciples' feet, predicting his betrayal, and then revealing his betrayer, Jesus speaks of his glorification on the cross. This deep complicated love of Jesus, even to death on the cross, will be the distinctive mark of Jesus' community.

P: The Gospel according to John.
C: Glory to you, O Lord.

[31] When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. [32] If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. [33] Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' [34] I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. [35] By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S TIME — Rev. Joshua Rinas

A special message for children.

SERMON — Rev. Joshua Rinas

Silence for reflection follows the sermon.

HYMN OF THE DAY — ELW 631

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less
earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -
faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,
pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our
thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

APOSTLES' CREED

A: Let us confess our faith in the words of the Apostle's Creed.

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,
and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

A: Fill the church with the spirit of your redeeming love. Make us steadfast in our proclamation of your grace for all people without exceptions, especially those often overlooked in our communities. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Awaken joy in the beauty and abundance of your creation. Show us the wonder of your presence from the smallest flower to the tallest tree. Recommit us to preservation of wild places. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Instruct all world leaders to protect the most vulnerable among us. Guide those in power toward equitable and just economic policies, so that all might have sufficient resources to live safely and with dignity. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Pour out your love on all in need of care: those mourning losses, enduring trauma, experiencing broken relationships, yearning for companionship, or facing illness especially John, Mary, Vicki, Ruth, Steve, Marilynn, Barb, Krista, Dawn, Gary, the friends and family of Don. Wipe away every tear. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: Abide with all who are victims of racism, especially people who are doubly marginalized because of gender, sexuality, or ability. Destroy all forms of systemic oppression, and renew our commitment to healing the wounds of our collective body in this community and beyond. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: For what else does this congregation pray? Prayers may be said aloud, typed into the live chat box, or silently in your hearts…

Brief Pause for the congregation to respond.

A: We give thanks for all the saints whose lives bear witness to your redeeming love. Guide us by their example, until we join them in your eternal home. Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

A: We commend these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting that you are always with us; in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

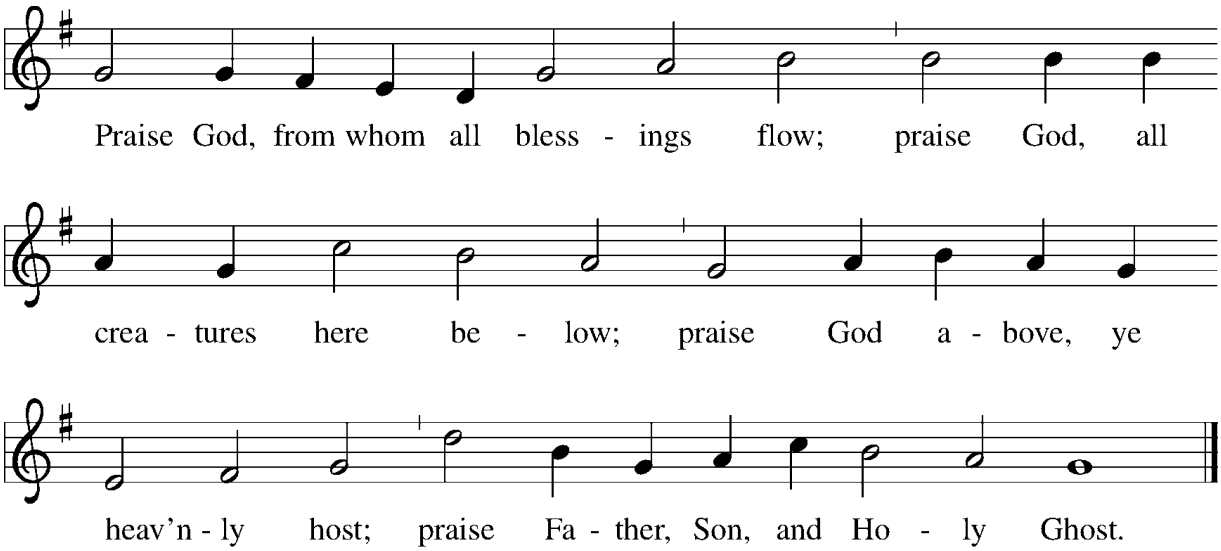
C: And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

OFFERING HYMN – *"Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"*


Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise God, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise God a - bove, ye
heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray,

C: Risen One,
you have gathered us around your table of grace
along with these gifts we bring.
Come among us again,
breathe your life into us,
and enliven us with this meal,
that we may live as your risen body in the world.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

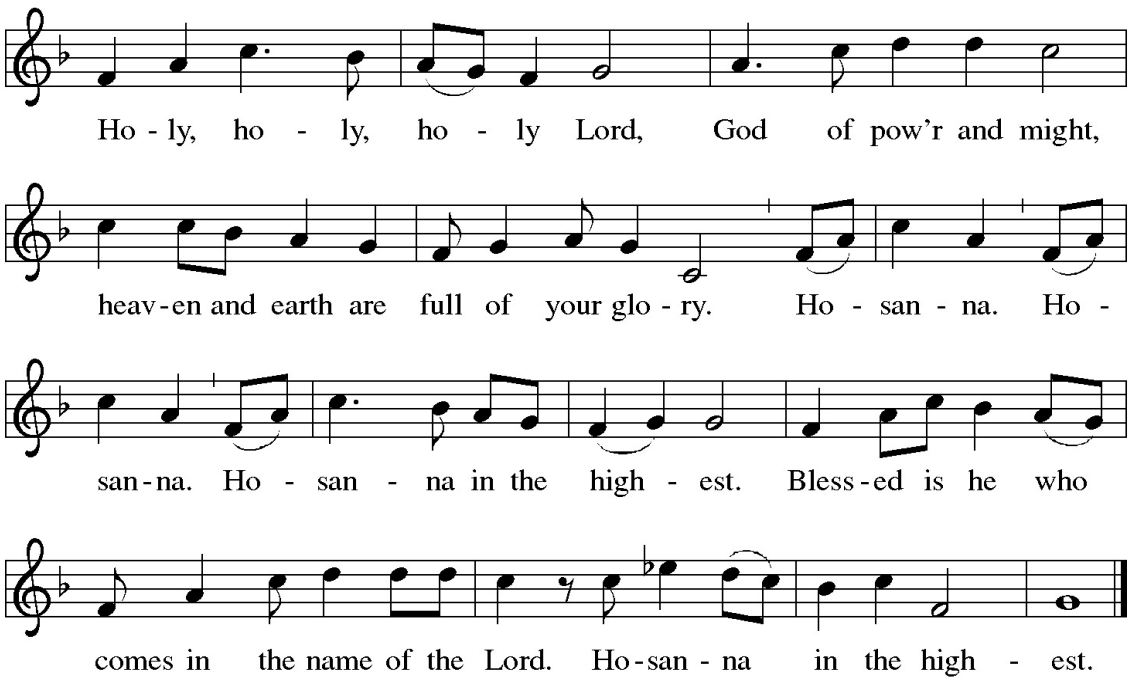
C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:


Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -
san - na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: Great Shepherd of the world, you are indeed holy, and great is the majesty of your glory. You created all things and showered blessings and loving care upon all that you created. You formed Israel as your chosen flock, and made them to lie down in green pasture. And when they turned from you, you did not spurn them, but sent forth another shepherd, your only Son, to seek out the lost sheep of Israel and of all the world and call them to himself by name.

C: Christ the Lord is our good shepherd.

P. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C. Christ has died, Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

P. And so, holy Father, with this bread and cup, we remember the life of Christ our shepherd and the covenant he made with us. We remember his seeking of the lost, the outcast, the sinner, and we remember his loving example as a shepherd among us. But especially we remember his own willingness to lay down his shepherd's staff and become the Lamb who was slain on the cross for our sins. As you raised him from death to life, so send him again in our days to raise us up and gather us as his flock around your eternal throne.

C. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

P. Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that this bread and this cup might be the body and blood of our shepherd Christ, that we might be renewed in spirit and find our fellowship among the saved.

C. Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

P. With loving hand and guiding staff, keep us all on the path to righteousness until we are joined as one heavenly flock with the saints and angels of glory, where we will sing eternal praises in the presence of Christ our good shepherd. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C. Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

The presiding minister may introduce the Lord's Prayer.

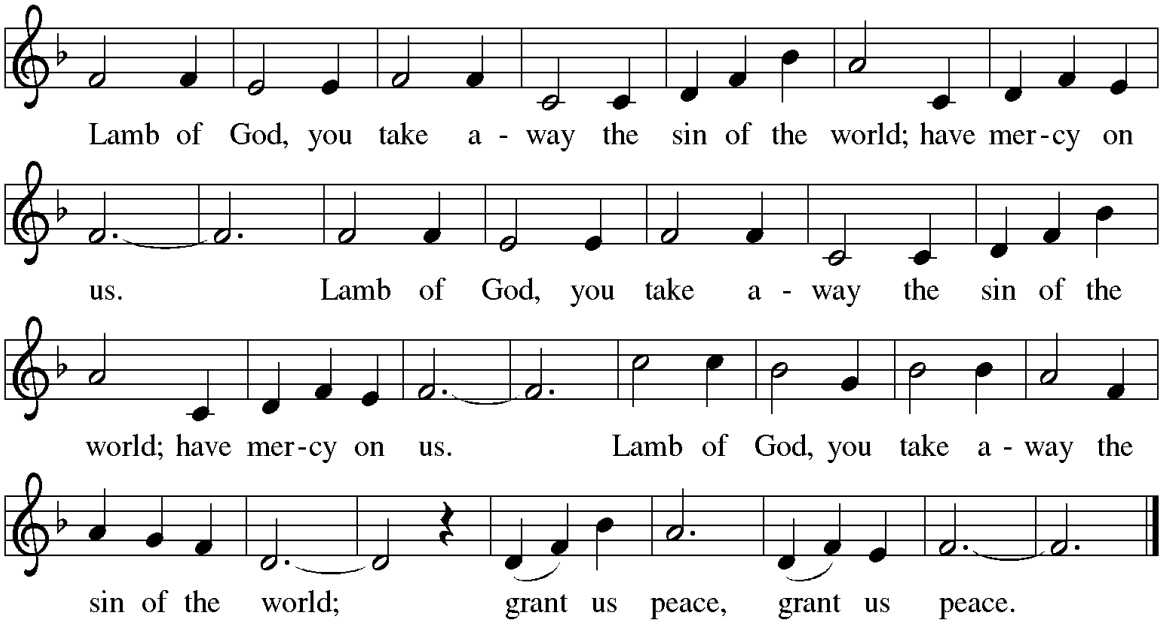
P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Come to the table of grace. Receive the gift of new life.

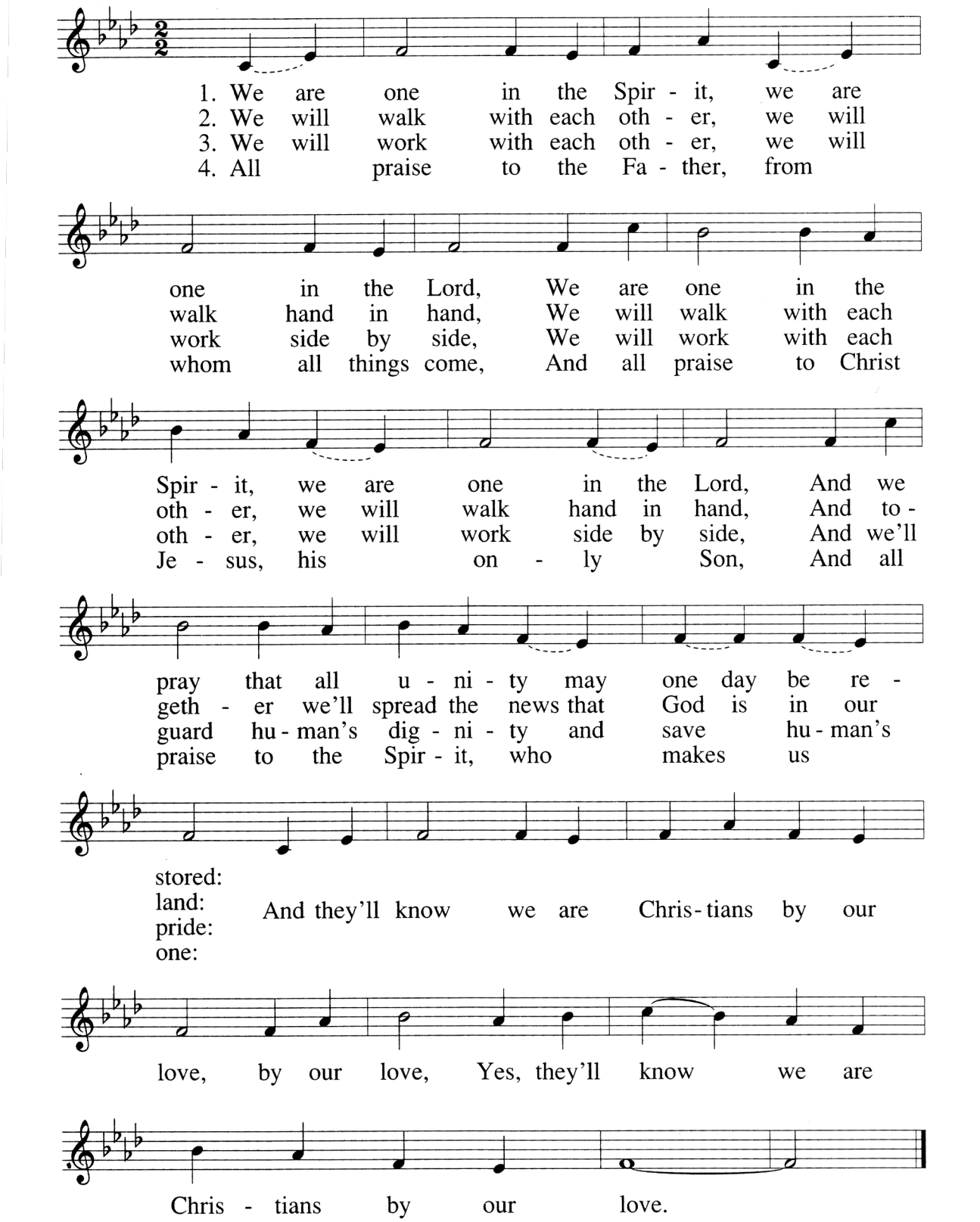
LAMB OF GOD


Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN - *"They'll Know We're Christians by Our Love"*

Led by the Emmanuel Chancel Choir (Please join in singing)


1. We are one in the Spir - it, we are
2. We will walk with each oth - er, we will
3. We will work with each oth - er, we will
4. All praise to the Fa - ther, from
one in the Lord, We are one in the
walk hand in hand, We will walk with each
work side by side, We will work with each
whom all things come, And all praise to Christ
Spir - it, we are one in the Lord, And we
oth - er, we will walk hand in hand, And to -
oth - er, we will work side by side, And we'll
Je - sus, his on - ly Son, And all
pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re -
geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our
guard hu - man's dig - ni - ty and save hu - man's
praise to the Spir - it, who makes us
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And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our
love, by our love, Yes, they'll know we are
Chris - tians by our love.

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P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in eternal life.
C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray.
C: Living One,
in this feast you have made yourself known to us.
Send us now to tell of your wonders,
sing of your glory,
and proclaim your risen life
to a wounded and weary world.
Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING

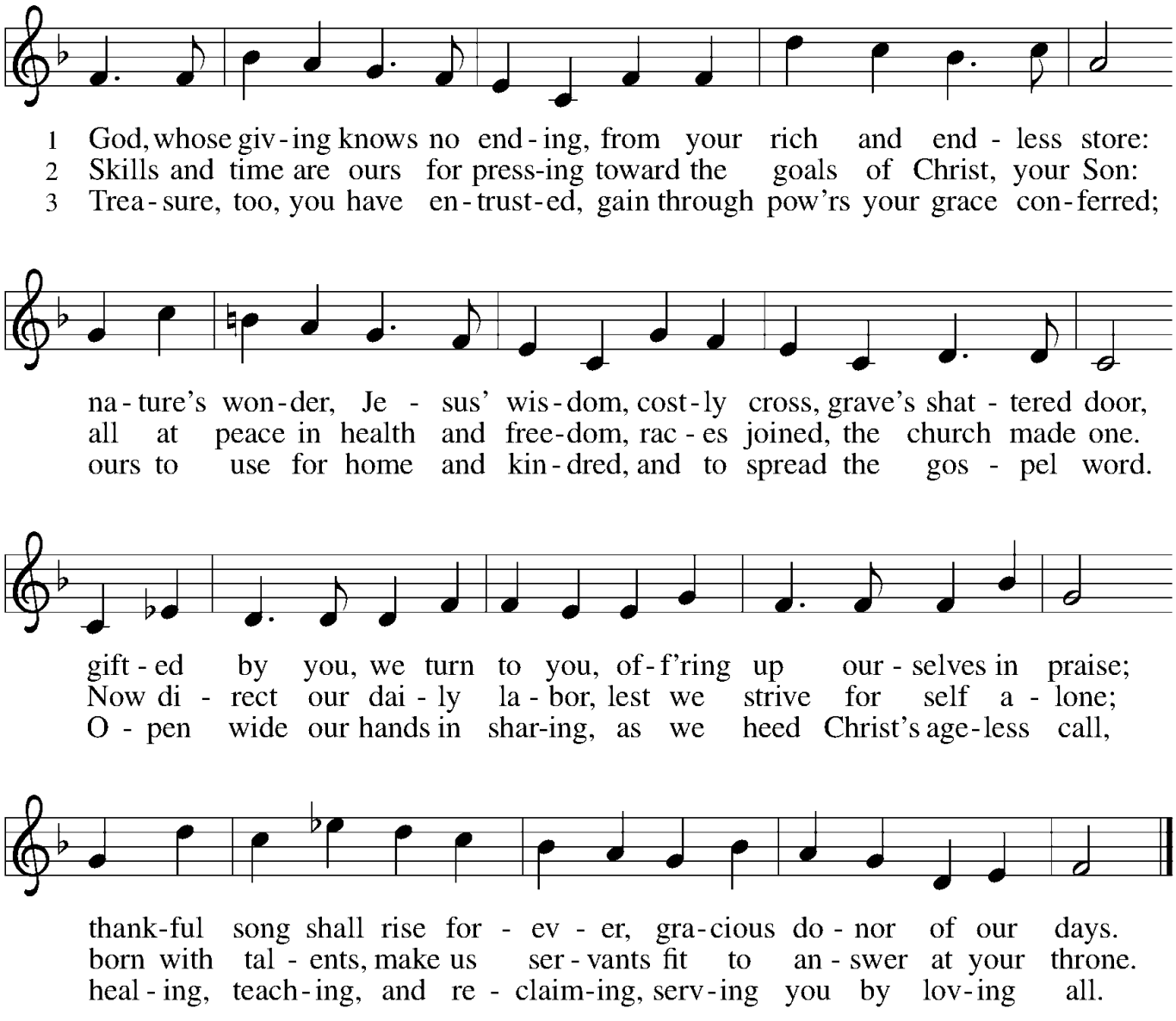
God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

P: The triune God,
who was, who is, and who is to come,
Sovereign, ☩ Savior, and Spirit,
light your way with resurrection dawn,
now and always.
C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN ELW 678

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"


1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and end - less store:
2 Skills and time are ours for press-ing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through pow'rs your grace con - ferred;
na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly cross, grave's shat - tered door,
all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es joined, the church made one.
ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to spread the gos - pel word.
gift - ed by you, we turn to you, of - f'ring up our - selves in praise;
Now di - rect our dai - ly la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone;
O - pen wide our hands in shar-ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call,
thank-ful song shall rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
born with tal - ents, make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
heal - ing, teach - ing, and re - claim-ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

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Music: RUSTINGTON, C. Hubert H. Parry, 1848–1918
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DISMISSAL

A: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

A: Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

C: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! If this is your first time with us, please add your name and information to our Guest book located in the Narthex (Lobby), we would love to connect with you.

*Hearing assistance devices and cushions are available in the back pew. Please help yourself!
*Children's bulletins available, please see an usher.
*Printed copies of the Newsletter are in the magazine holder in the Narthex.
**Christ in Our Home* devotionals (April - June) can be found in the Narthex.
*Hand Sanitizers can be found in the Narthex and hanging at the end of the pews.

Please remember to wear your Name Tag

It's a help for visitors and folks you may not have seen for a while. If you need a new Name tag, please let Jennifer know.

Emmanuel Directory

We would like to do an updated directory for our Emmanuel Families. There will be papers in the Narthex for you to fill out with any changes to your family information for the directory, or you can email the church office. **We will not be taking any changes after June 1st, so please get your information in to the office at your earliest convenience!**

Graduation Time – Last Chance to get this info in to the office!

If you have a graduate you would like to honor, please send Jennifer:

1. A picture of the graduate with their name and your relation to the graduate.
2. What school they are graduating from.
3. What they plan to study in college or what they are receiving a degree in from college (if a college graduate).
4. And if they have a favorite scripture, you can send that.

Please get the information in to Jennifer **no later than May 19th**, Thank you.

2025 Altar Flower Sign-up

The 2025 Altar flower sign-up has been put up on the bulletin board outside the office. **Please sign-up for your date and turn in the form and monies in the offering plate or office mailbox.** Thank you!

Let's Go Out to Eat!
The Membership Committee would like to invite to a meal and conversation on Tuesday, May 20th at 5pm at Aubree's in Depot Town – located at 39 E. Cross St. Ypsilanti, MI. This is simply a social event meant for people to get to know each other better. If you have a friend who you'd like to bring who isn't a member at Emmanuel, they're more than welcome!

HISTORY IN MAPS:
THE GRAECO-ROMAN WORLD, AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHRISTIANITY, FROM ALEXANDER TO CONSTANTINE.

Schedule for eleven 45-minute presentations, using the Lounge, and the computer projection equipment. Class will start June 29th at 11:30 AM, following church services, in the lounge.

There will be occasional printed and digital handouts.

Ways to Give: Giving can be done online by clicking here. Or mail checks to: Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 201 N. River St., Ypsilanti, MI 48198.

Paypal: Select payment type "Friends and Family" using emmanuelypsi@gmail.com. Please indicate account (general fund, flowers, memorials, etc.) where it says add message.

Mobile App: Download the Vanco Payments Mobile app for free from Google Play. In the app, select your fund and amount, enter a payment method and complete the donation.

This Week at Emmanuel

Sunday, May 18 - Easter 5

- Handbell Choir 8:45am
- Chancel Choir 9:30am
- **Worship 10:00am**
- Coffee Hour 11:00am – 12:00pm
- **COUNCIL MEETING**
- Scouts 6:00pm

Tuesday, May 20 – NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

- Reach for the Stars Exercise Class 10:30am
- Food Gatherers delivery
- **Let's Go Out to Eat! 5:00pm @Aubree's Depot Town**
- Transition Team Meeting 5:30pm

Wednesday, May 21

- Clothes Closet 9:00am – 10:30am
- Quilting 11:00am – 1:00pm
- **Bible Study Class 12:30pm – 2:00pm**
- Food Pantry 3:00pm – 5:00pm
- AA Meeting 8:00pm – 9:00pm

Thursday, May 22

- Reach for the Stars Exercise Class 9:30am
- Refresh Committee 10:30am – 12:30pm

Friday, May 23 – Office Closed

- NA Meeting 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Sunday, May 25 - Easter 6

- Handbell Choir 8:45am
- **Worship 10:00am**
- Coffee Hour 11:00am – 12:00pm
- Scouts 6:00pm

Donald Farquharson
December 19, 1934 – May 10, 2025

Donald Francis Farquharson, age 90, of Ypsilanti, Michigan passed away on Saturday, May 10, 2025 at The Gilbert Residence.

Born on December 19, 1934 in Cleveland, Ohio to parents Monroe "Monty" B. Farquharson and Betty (Sutton) Exline, Don was raised in Cleveland, Ohio and Orlando, Florida before he moved to Ypsilanti, Michigan in 1949. Donald attended Ypsilanti High School where he was a member of the swim and football teams and graduated with Class of 1953. He began his working career at Michigan Bell in 1955 in the repair department in Ypsilanti. He later began working with PBX and became a supervisor in 1973 at the Trenton and Willis locations and retired in 1984.

Don married Janice M. Harden, a lifelong Ypsilanti resident (Ypsilanti High School Class of 1955) on January 29, 1955 in Ypsilanti. Their union welcomed four children to their family: Douglas, Marilynn, Ronald, and Dawn and they raised them in Ypsilanti, Michigan.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Janice M. Farquharson; his son, Douglas F. Farquharson; his granddaughter, Devon M. Stevens; his parents, Monroe "Monty" B. Farquharson and Betty Exline; his half-sister, Erlene Vinzant-Gunn; and his sisters-in-law, Valerie M. Harden and Arlene (Frank) M. Harden Johnson.

Don is survived by his children, Marilynn M. Stevens of Ypsilanti, MI, Ronald J. Farquharson of Livonia, MI, and Dawn M. Davis of Chapel Hill, TN; his grandchildren, Michael J. Farquharson, Janice (Justin) J. Stevens, Eric (Trish) D. Farquharson, Steven (Jessica) C. Hute, Jr., Nathan J. Hute, Charles Jacob (Margaret) Davis, Andrew J. Farquharson, and Emma (Tony) R. Wingfield; his great grandchildren, Branden R. Stevens, Sydnee Farquharson, Alexis M. Farquharson, Colin F. Farquharson, Jackson G. Hute, James D. Farquharson, Bridgette O. Moore, Okley B. Hute, Odin B. Wood, Charlee M. Wood, and Quinn C. Davis; and one great-great grandchild, Jameson D. Stevens; as well as many extended relatives.

The family would like to extend a special thanks to the staff at The Gilbert Residence, Heart to Heart Hospice Care, and to Don's friend, Mary I. Price.

Cremation has taken place. A memorial service will be held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 201 N. River St., Ypsilanti, Michigan on May 31, 2025 at 10am.

For those with young children: Emmanuel's "Pray-Ground," located at the front of the church, was established as a positive, welcoming experience for children in church. Many churches have begun using this feature, which gives small children a space to squirm, quietly play with soft toys, books, and do arts and crafts. Parents may want to sit nearby to accompany children, but don't worry about noise—worship leaders have microphones! We encourage everyone with little ones to give this a try.

Prayers requested for: John, Mary, Vicki, Ruth, Steve, Marilynn, Barb, Krista, Dawn, Gary, the friends and family of Don.

Assisting Ministers Needed!

Sign up on the sheet outside the office or call the office; Or through sign-up genius. Assisting Ministers - Click here or Scan QR code

Links:

Livestream Worship - https://www.youtube.com/@emmanuelypsi
Giving Online - Online donation
Clothes Closet - ClothesCloset@emmanuelypsi.org
Food Pantry - FoodPantry@emmanuelypsi.org

Serving in Worship:

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Minister of Worship Music..... David Meitzler
Minister of Choral Conducting..... Jamie Gallupe
Assisting Minister..... Monica Doerr

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